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PLEASE SEND FOLLOWING NOTE TO U/SECRETARY HABIB:

"WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR APPOINTMENT. I DO  
 NOT KNOW WHO TO CONGRATULATE MORE, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
 OR YOU. WARM REGARDS, DICK WALTERS." E2 IMPDET

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(HRBIB)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- WHITE HOUSE OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY THAT ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE PHILIP HRABIB WILL BE NAMED TO REPLACE UNDERSECRETARY JOSEPH SISCO AS THE DEPARTMENT'S TOP-RANKING CAREER OFFICIAL.

SISCO'S RESIGNATION HAS ALREADY BEEN ANNOUNCED. HE WILL LEAVE IN JULY TO BECOME PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN WASHINGTON.

HRABIB, 55, HAS BEEN THE DEPARTMENT'S TOP-RANKING EXPERT ON EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS. HE IS A FORMER AMBASSADOR TO SOUTH KOREA AND SERVED AS THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE IN THE PARIS PEACE TALKS WITH THE NORTH VIETNAMESE.

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